GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – B.C.Welfare Department –Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former HWO, Govt. B.C.Boys Hostel, Thotavada, Srikakulam District (now retired) – Departmental action initiated – Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer appointed - Inquiry report submitted - Orders dated 12.09.2025 of the Hon'ble High Court in CC No.1433/2025 in W.P.No.18457 of 2024 - Implementation of the orders of Hon'ble High Court – Orders – Issued.

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BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE (D)DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 122 Dated: 18-09-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada, Letter Rc.No.56/DES-VSK/2017, dt.28-08-2018.
2. Govt. Memo No.BCW01-12024/11/1/2018-1, Dated 21/09/2018.
3. From the Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada, Letter Rc.No.56/DES-VSK/2017-S.12,, dt.10-12-2018.
4. Govt. Memo No.BCW01-12024/11/1/2018, Dated 24.12.2018.
5. Govt. Memo No.BCW01-12024/11/1/2018, Dated 01.03.2024.
6. From the Director of BC Welfare, AP, Letters Rc.No.E/3442/2018, Dt.05.10.2023 and Dt.02.04.2025.
7. Orders dated 12.09.2025 of the Hon'ble High Court in CC No.1433/2025 for non-implementation of the orders dated 23.08.2024 in W.P.No.18457 of 2024 filed by Sri P. Uma Maheshwar Rao, Hostel Welfare Officer Gr-II (Retd.).

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada has informed that on credible information that Sri P. Umamaheswara Rao, HWO, Govt.B.C.Boys Hostel-2, Amadalavalasa, Srikakulam District, who is also in-charge of Govt.B.C.Boys Hostel, Thotavada, Burja Mandal, Srikakulam District is mismanaging both hostels, running those hostels with less strength than the actual strength and misappropriating the Government funds and committing many irregularities in running the hostels, the ACB officials conducted surprise check on 11-07-2017 on the Govt.B.C.Boys Hostel, Thotavada, Burja Mandal, Srikakulam District and noticed many irregularities. The Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada has recommended for suitable disciplinary action against Sri P. Umamaheswara Rao, HWO for his irregularities and for violation of Rules 3(1) & 3(2) read with 4(i) of APCS (Conduct)Rules, 1964.

2. After examining the matter and in consultation with the advisory authority thereon, the recommendations of the DG, ACB have been accepted and accordingly the Director of B.C.Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada has been requested to take necessary action to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the A.O. Sri P. Umamaheswara Rao, HWO (I/c), Govt.B.C.Boys Hostel, Thotavada, Burja Mandal, Srikakulam District, under Rule 20 of APCS(CC&A)Rules, 1991, vide reference 2nd read above.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the DG, ACB has furnished draft articles of charges and the same has been forwarded to the Director, BC Welfare accordingly vide reference 4th read above.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the Director, BC Welfare has informed that departmental action has been initiated by framing four (4) article of charges, vide District Collector, Srikakulam proceedings dt:19.04.2022. In reply charged officer has submitted his written statement of defence. Further, the District Collector, Srikakulam has appointed the District Social Welfare Officer, Srikakulam as Inquiry Authority on 28.09.2022 and the Inquiry Officer has submitted his Inquiry Report on 14.06.2023. After examination of the same, remitted back the inquiry report to conduct re-enquiry with the presenting officer nominated by the ACB Authorities on

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23.02.2024. Accordingly, the Inquiry Authority, after conducting re-inquiry, has furnished his inquiry report stating that out (4) charges, three (3) are held proved and one (1) charge is held not proved. The inquiry report is under examination as per scheme of vigilance.

6. In the meanwhile, in the reference 7th read above, the Hon'ble High Court, in CC No.1433/2025 vide orders dated 12.09.2025, has passed orders as follows:-

> *"Today when the matter is taken up, learned counsel for respondents 1 and 2 submitted that in respect of one charge memo, respondent No.1 issued proceedings vide G.O.No.118 dated 10.09.2025 and in respect of the other charge memo, Inquiry Officer submitted report and the authority is yet to pass order.*
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> *A perusal of the operative portion of order, which is extracted supra, indicates that the authorities were directed to conclude the inquiry in terms of G.O.Ms.No.91 dated 12.09.2022, within three months, failing which the charge memos will lapse automatically. Three months' time was completed by 23.11.2024.*
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> *Therefore, passing an order vide G.O.Rt.No.118 dated 10.09.2025, itself would amount to contempt.*
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> *At this juncture, learned counsel for the respondents seeks time to get further instructions.*
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> *Post next week, under the caption 'for orders' and the case posted on 19.09.2025*

7. After careful examination of the entire matter and keeping in view of the above said orders of the Hon'ble High Court, Government have decided to implement the orders of the Hon'ble High Court and accordingly hereby drop the further action against Sri P. Umamaheswara Rao, HWO (I/c), Govt.B.C.Boys Hostel, Thotavada, Burja Mandal, Srikakulam District (Retired) in this disciplinary case, to avoid further legal complications in the matter.

8. The Director, B.C.Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada / the District Collector, Srikakulam District shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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EX-OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri P. Umamaheswara Rao, HWO (I/c), Govt.B.C.Boys Hostel, Thotavada, Burja Mandal, Srikakulam District (Retired) through the Director, B.C.Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada
The Director, B.C.Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada
The District Collector, Srikakulam District.
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The Secretary, APVC, A.P., Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The D.G., ACB, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, AP, Vijayawada.
The District Collector, Srikakulam.
The PS to Hon'ble Minister for BC Welfare.
The PS to Ex-Officio Secretary to Govt, B.C.Welfare Dept.
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SECTION OFFICER